

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed November 4, 2004, the Examiner noted that claims 1-15 were pending and rejected claims 1-15. Claims 1, 7, 14 and 15 have been amended, and, thus, in view of the forgoing claims 1-15 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Examiner's rejection is traversed below.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Baum.

Baum discusses a system that provides time sliced images and associated attribute data in the form of baseball batter images of batting and batter statistical data superimposed on the batting images, as depicted in figures 11A-11D. Baum is about displaying a stop motion batter swing and statistics associated with the swing, such as swing speed.

Baum is trying to solve a different problem than the present invention.

In contrast to Baum, the present invention provides a system that will allow a user to specify the retrieval (and storage) of a video sequence (time series images) using attribute type retrieval data. This retrieved and stored footage is accessed in storage and displayed when the retrieval data is selected by the user ("extracting picture data corresponding to the selected retrieval data from the storage unit and displaying the extracted picture data" - claims 1, 7, 14 and 15). Baum does not teach or suggest such.

It is submitted that the present claimed invention patentably distinguishes over Baum and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

It is submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

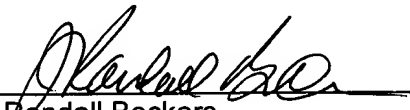
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If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

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